

## OUR WEST VIRGINIA NEIGHBORS.

Hon. C. W. Ferguson celebrated the 78th anniversary of his birth Friday by a banquet and family reunion at his home at Elmwood. The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Preston and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bromley, of Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Napier, of Central City, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meek, of Danlow.

Williamson, the county seat of Mingo county, W. Va., is to have a new paper, with Prof. Morrison, of the Presbyterian Academy, as editor and publisher. It is reported that another newspaper man, Thos. B. Garner, is to again locate in Williamson, in which town he was a pioneer settler, but it is not thought that Mr. Garner will again run a paper there, as he announced on selling the Bluefield Leader, that he had retired from business.

Hinton, W. Va., May 1.—A fearful explosion occurred in the Whipple coal mine near this place, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. First reports estimated the number of men killed at anywhere from fifty to one hundred. Later advices place the toll at forty-one, with little prospect that any are living.

Fifty-one of the miners were said to crawl to the airshaft and climbed out of the emergency stairway to the surface. Many of them were slightly and some seriously injured, but all will recover. Isaac Pelter, the mine boss, was left in the mine. He was closing up the air courses in an effort to force fresh air to those remaining in the mine. He expected to follow his men out, but up to this hour nothing further has been heard of him.

The Whipple mine is located within two miles of the Stuart mine, which exploded on January 29, killing eighty men. Both mines are owned by the White Oak Fuel Company. The mine is one of the best equipped in this field, and has always been considered safe.

Seven dead have been taken out.

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Parkersburg, W. Va., May 2.—Passenger train No. 716, the fast-flyer, northbound, on the Ohio River division of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, was wrecked Wednesday afternoon at Pleasant View, three miles south of Ravenswood. Three persons were fatally injured, some on these being Hon. Wm. A. Ohley, of Charleston—four seriously injured, and 12 so badly crippled and bruised that physicians' attention was necessary. The wreck was caused, it is said, by a defective rail. The entire train, except the engine, left the track, and the two rear coaches turned over and rolled down an embankment. Nearly all the injured were in these coaches.

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Attorney C. B. Lewis, of Milton, was fined \$250 and cost by Judge Keller for illegally retaining a letter not rightfully his.

This letter, which commenced by being sent from a preacher to a widow whom he was very fond of, involved a church, then the town of Milton, in gossip and strife. The evidence in the case showed Lewis innocent of wrong intent, but technically guilty. A strong effort was made by attorneys to have the verdict set aside.

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Greenbrier county, for the year ending September last, lifted the banner from Wayne county as being the greatest hog producing county in the State, a distinction we have enjoyed for a number of years. Auditor Scherer's report shows that there were 10,577 hogs raised in Greenbrier to 10,297 in Wayne.

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Huntington, W. Va., May 4.—Mrs. Myra Warnock, a young widow of Beach Fork, saved the life of her three-year-old girl this afternoon by operating on her throat. The little one was dying of croup, and Mrs. Warnock had used her telephone vigorously in endeavoring to secure a physician, but she failed to get one to call at once.

She possesses some knowledge of anatomy and the plans adopted by surgeons for operating on what is known as membranous croup. She seized a keen-bladed knife and plunged it into the windpipe near the Adam's apple and opened a way to let in the air that was kept from reaching the lungs by an obstruction farther up. The little one had almost immediate relief. A physician to-night stated that the child will recover, but that death would inevitably have occurred, but for the presence of mind of the mother.

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The BIG SANDY NEWS will pay the expenses of the three most popular ladies in Lawrence county on a week's trip to the wonderful Jamestown Exposition. The trip will be made in August, 1907, when the Exposition is well under way, when the weather is good, and when summer vacation is at hand. The three ladies will go with the Editor of THE NEWS and his wife as their special guests, and their every comfort and enjoyment will be carefully looked after. Remember, their every expense will be paid by the NEWS—railroad fare, sleeper and dining car fees, hotel bills, admissions to Exposition and concession shows, street car fares, lunch bills, etc., etc., everything from the time they leave Louisa until they return home safe and happy. Everything will be first-class. They will travel in Pullman cars, take their meals in elegant dining cars, and stop at the best hotels. It will be the trip of a lifetime!

### Who may go on This Trip.

Every respectable lady in Lawrence county and part of Wayne is eligible to be our guests on this glorious outing. She must be married or single. In order that there may be a fair chance for every part of the territory to be represented we have decided to divide it into districts as follows:

### How the Selections Will be Made.

The ladies who will go on THE NEWS' free trip are to be chosen by the people. Everybody can vote—old patrons or new ones, rich or poor, young or old. Every dollar paid to THE NEWS on subscription, job printing or new advertising will entitle the payer to cast 100 votes. No payment of less than \$1.00 will be entitled to any votes.

Payments on old subscription or Upper Blaine, Swetnam, Blaine, George. As a special recognition of new subscribers and advance patrons we make this allowance: Anyone who pays IN ADVANCE one year's subscription to THE NEWS will be entitled to 125 votes; two years, 250 votes; three years, 400 votes; four years, 550 votes; five years, 700 votes; six years, 850 votes; seven years, 1,000 votes; eight years, 1,200 votes; nine years, 1,400 votes; ten years, 2,000 votes. (No duplicate rates or agent's commission allowed when votes are taken.)

Payments on arrears or old accounts, 100 votes for each dollar.

No person connected with the News will be allowed to take part, solicit votes or cast a ballot under any circumstances. The NEWS pledges its honor that the contest shall be fair and equal to all candidates. No favoritism will be shown, no assistance or suggestions will be given to one that are not given to all. It must be a square deal.

That every girl or woman of good character in Lawrence county is eligible to be a candidate. That a vote cast for a lady nominates her as a candidate in her district—nothing else to do. That she will have to compete only with the candidates in her district. But may get votes anywhere. That the lady receiving the highest vote in her district will go as the representative of that district.

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### One Lady from District B:

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### One Lady from District C:

Embracing Voting Precincts, viz: Upper Blaine, Swetnam, Georges Creek, Dobbins, Peach Orchard and Rockcastle.

The party elected from each district must live or be employed within its limits. That is the only requirement—and that is done for their own protection. Any person at whose name may vote for any candidate in any part of the county. Candidates may solicit votes anywhere they please. The votes can be mailed to the Contest Editor of THE NEWS, or may be delivered in person at THE NEWS' office. The winner may deposit his or her own ballot if preferred.

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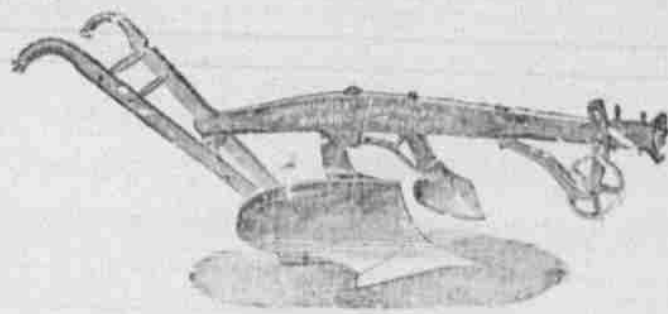
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